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SUBJECT: VESSEL UNCLE SAM

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REF: BRESLER/SULLIVAN LETTER DATED APRIL 22

1. ON RECEIPT REFERENCED LETTER, I WENT TO PORT LOUIS HARBOR TO LOOK AT UNCLE SAM, WHICH BEACHED IN SELDOM FREQUENTED QUARTER. TO MY LAYMAN'S EYE, VESSEL'S HULL AND SUPERSTRUCTURE APPEAR TO BE SEAWORTHY WITH ONLY WOODEN MOULDING AROUND RAIL AND AT WATER LINE BEGINNING TO ROT SOMEWHAT. ONE PROPELLOR BLADE ALSO SLIGHTLY ERODED. DIFFICULTY SEEMS TO LIE WITH ENGINE, WHICH REPORTEDLY FELL VICTIM TRANSMISSION PROBLEMS, DUE PROBABLY TO BAD HANDLING.

2. THIS ESTIMATE CONFIRMED IN LARGE PART BY DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMS APPASAMY, WHO WAS TELEPHONED THIS DATE. APPASAMY SAID THAT IF SPARE ENGINE PARTS WERE FURNISHED, MAURITIAN HARBOR AUTHORITIES WOULD HAVE VERY REAL USE FOR UNCLE SAM. IT WOULD BE USED IN SEEKING CONTROL CONTRABAND OPERATIONS. ALTHOUGH, WHEN USED BEFORE, IT HAD PROVED TO BE NOISY VESSEL; THIS IN ITSELF PROVED A DETERRENT INASMUCH AS ANY POTENTIAL SMUGGLERS KNEW IT WAS OUT ON PATROL. THEREFORE, AMBASSADOR'S INITIATIVE ASK FOR NAVY HELP ON THIS REPAIR CONSIDERED OF REAL WORTH.

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